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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1 - 12. **(Canceled)**

13. **(Currently amended)** A powder comprising calcium tartrate particles having a mean particle size less than about 30 μm , wherein the powder is selected from the group consisting of plaster, cement, mortar, and concrete.

14-16. **(Canceled)**

17. **(Canceled)**

18. **(Previously presented)** A powder comprising calcium tartrate particles having a mean particle size less than about 18 μm , wherein the powder is selected from the group consisting of plaster, cement, mortar, and concrete.

19-23. **(Canceled)**

24. **(Previously presented)** The powder of Claim 13, wherein said calcium tartrate particles having a mean particle size less than about 25 μm .

25. **(Previously presented)** The powder of Claim 13, wherein said calcium tartrate particles having a mean particle size less than about 20 μm .

26. **(Previously presented)** The powder of Claim 13, wherein less than 5% of said particles have a particle size greater than about 40 μm .

27. **(Previously presented)** The powder of Claim 26, wherein less than 1% of said particles have a particle size greater than about 40 μm .

28. **(Previously presented)** The powder of Claim 26, wherein less than 0.1% of said particles have a particle size greater than about 40 μm .

29. **(Canceled)**

30. **(Previously presented)** The powder of Claim 18, wherein said calcium tartrate particles having a mean particle size less than about 15 μm .